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Title

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In the Office Action dated May 9, 2006, the Examiner requires election of a single species for examination. Specifically, the Examiner requires election between the inventions of:

Group I: Claims 1-18, drawn to a catheter; and

Group II: Claims 19-23, drawn to a method of introducing liquid.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the restriction requirement, and submits that the Examiner has not established a *prima facie* case as to why it would be burdensome to examine all claims together.

In order to advance prosecution of the application, however, and without conceding the propriety of the restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the invention of Group I, Claims 1-18, drawn to a catheter.

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Office Communication dated May 9, 2006

Response Restriction Requirement dated August 9, 2006

Applicant has fully responded to the requirement for restriction and respectfully requests timely examination and allowance of the application.

Applicants have provided for a two (2) month extension of time on even date. If any additional fees, petitions, or requests for extension of time are required in order to enter or consider this paper, enter or consider any of the claims submitted, enter or consider any paper accompanying this paper, or keep this application or the previous application pending. Applicants hereby request that the petition or request be granted and Applicant's representative hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1129 for any fees.

> Respectfully submitted, Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP

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